

Administrative Order



Administrative Order No.: 4-88

Title: Medical Examiner Fees for Service

Ordered: 4/13/2004

Effective: 4/23/2004

AUTHORITY:

Section 4.02 of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment and Charter.

SUPERSEDES:

This Administrative Order supersedes previous Administrative Order 4-88, ordered February 9, 1995 and effective February 9, 1995

POLICY:

This Administrative Order establishes a schedule of fees to be assessed and collected by the Medical Examiner Department to cover the services rendered to the next of kin of a decedent, or other person in lawful control of a decedent's body or the decedent's estate. Pursuant to Section 406.11(1)(c), Florida Statutes, these fees include approval of cremation, of anatomical donations to a medical school for dissection, and of burials at sea. Additionally, the fee schedule includes, but is not limited to, special services provided outside of the traditional Medical Examiner statutory mandate such as laboratory testing fees, records, and photographic and imaging services.

PROCEDURES:

The administration of this Administrative Order is attached hereto and made part thereof.

FEE SCHEDULE:

The fee schedule adopted by this Administrative Order is attached hereto and made part thereof.

This Administrative Order is hereby submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

George M. Burgess

County Manager

Miami-Dade Medical Examiner

Fee Schedule

EXPERT WITNESS COURT TIME, DEPOSITION TIME, CONFERENCES, AND PHONE CONFERENCES, INCLUDING TRAVEL AND PREPARATION TIME*		
	Criminal	Civil
Non-Court Appointed and Private Cases		
Private Attorney, State Attorneys, and US Attorneys	\$300/hour or flat fee of \$2000/day	\$300/hour or flat fee of \$2000/day
Indigent-Court Appointed Cases		
Public Defenders and Court-Appointed Private Attorneys	\$175/hour or flat fee of \$1000/day	NA
Reimbursement for any expenses	Actual cost is billed	

SPECIAL SERVICES	
Daily Body Storage Fee (Out of Medical Examiner Jurisdiction – For bodies stored in excess of 10 calendar days, billable at a per diem rate from date of receipt)	\$50
Cremation, Anatomical Donation, Burial at Sea Approval Fee	\$50
Paternity Testing-Sample Preparation for testing by Independent Lab-Administrative Fee	\$25
Public Internet Program-Administrative Fees	\$50
Non Medical Examiner Autopsies processed by Department (excluding Laboratory Services)	\$3,500
Non Medical Examiner Autopsies processed by Pathologist – Administrative/Supply Fees	\$100

RECORDS	
Autopsy Report Copies	Charged as per Florida Statute 119.07
X-Ray Duplication	\$5
Slide Duplication (Public Records requests)	\$1

*All rates are billable to the nearest quarter of an hour.

LABORATORY SERVICES TEST	Specimen	Spec Quantity	Test type	Analyte	Test Price
Prices may be negotiated for Bulk Contracts on a per case fee based on a minimum number of cases per year. Otherwise individual test fees apply. Additional tests may be implemented and will be billed on a comparable basis to established fees.					
Acetaminophen Quantitation (TDx)	Serum, ocular fluid, bile, gastric	1 mL	Quantitation	Acetaminophen	\$11
Acid/Neutral Drug Confirmation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Confirmation	multiple acid neutral drugs	\$55
Acid/Neutral Drug Screen (GC-FID)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Screen	multiple acid neutral drugs	\$55
Alprazolam Quantitation (GC-ECD)	Blood, gastric, serum, tissue	2 mL	Quantitation	Alprazolam	\$55
Amphetamine Quantitations (GC-MS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	amphetamine and methamphetamine	\$83
Amphetamine screen (ELISA)	Blood, tissue	2 mL	Screen	multiple sympathomimetic amines	\$11
Antihistamine Drugs Quantitations	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	multiple antihistamines	\$55
Barbiturates Quantitation (GC-FID)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	multiple barbiturates and neutral drugs	\$55
Barbiturates screen (ELISA)	Blood, tissues	2 mL	Screen	multiple barbiturates	\$11
Basic Drug Confirmation (GCMS)	Blood, tissues	2 mL	Confirmation	multiple basic drugs	\$55
Basic Drug Screen (GC-NPD)	Blood, tissue	2 mL	Screen	multiple basic drugs	\$55

Benzodiazepine Confirmation (GCMS)	Blood, tissues, gastric	3 mL	Confirmation	multiple, benzodiazepines	\$83
Benzodiazepine Screen (ECD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Screen	multiple benzodiazepines	\$55
Benzodiazepines I (HPLC) Quantitations	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	multiple benzodiazepines	\$55
Benzodiazepines II (GC-ECD) Quantitations	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	multiple benzodiazepines	\$55
Benzoyllecgonine Confirmation (GCMS)	Urine, serum, blood	3 mL	Confirmation	benzoyllecgonine, cocaine, cocaethylene	\$55
Benzoyllecgonine Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, tissues	5 grams	Quantitation	Benzoyllecgonine	\$83
Benzoyllecgonine Quantitation (TDx)	Serum, Blood	1 mL	Quantitation	Benzoyllecgonine	\$11
Blood Alcohol & Drug Screen – Panel I	Blood, urine	10 mL each	Screen		\$125
Blood Alcohol & Drug Screen – Panel II	Blood	10 mL	Screen		\$135
Blood Alcohol & Drug Screen – Panel III	Blood, urine, and gastric		Screen		\$175
Bupivacaine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Bupivacaine	\$55
Bupropion Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissue	4 mL	Quantitation	Bupropion and metabolites	\$75
Cannabinoid Confirmation (GCMS)	Urine	5 mL	Confirmation	THC and CarboxyTHC	\$110
Cannabinoids Screen	Urine	10 mL	Screen	Carboxy THC	\$10
Carbamazepine Quantitation (TDx)	Serum, blood, gastric	1 mL	Quantitation	Carbamazepine	\$11
Carbon Monoxide (CO-OX)	Blood	3 mL	Screen/ Quantitation	Carboxyhemaglobin	\$28
Carbon Monoxide (Diffusion)	Blood, tissues	10 mL	Screen	Carbon Monoxide	\$55

Carisoprodal/Meprobamate Quantitation (GC-FID)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	Carisoprodal and Meprobamate	\$55
Chloral Hydrate Quantitation	Blood, gastric	5 mL	Quantitation	Trichloroethanol	\$50
Chlorpheniramine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Chlorpheniramine	\$55
Chlorpromazine Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Chlorpromazine	\$55
Citalopram Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissue	4 mL	Quantitation	Citalopram	\$55
Clomipramine Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Clomipramine, norclomipramine	\$55
Citalopram Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissue	4 mL	Quantitation	Citalopram	\$55
Clomipramine Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Clomipramine, norclomipramine	\$55
Clonazepam Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Clonazepam, 7-aminoclonazepam	\$55
Clozapine Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Clozapine, norclozapine	\$55
Cocaine Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Cocaine and cocaethylene	\$55
Codeine Quantitation	Blood, tissues, gastric	3 mL	Quantitation	Codeine	\$110
Cyanide Quantitation	Blood, tissue, gastric	2 mL	Quantitation	Cyanide	\$55
Cyanide Screen (CyantissmoPaper)	Blood, tissues	2 mL	Screen	Cyanide	\$28
Dextromethorphan Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Dextromethorphan	\$55
Diazepam Quantitation	Blood, tissue, gastric	2 mL	Quantitation	Diazepam, Nordiazepam	\$55
Diltiazem Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Diltiazem	\$55

Diphenhydramine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, serum, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Diphenhydramine	\$55
ELISA Screen	Blood, Serum, Tissue homogenates, Urine	1 mL	Screen	Barbs, Benzos, Cocaine, Opiates	\$44
Ephedrine/Pseudoephedrine Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	Ephedrine, pseudoephedrine	\$83
Estazolam Quantitation (GC-ECD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	Estazolam	\$55
Ethchlorvynol Quantitation (UV/VIS)	Blood, gastric	2 mL	Quantitation		\$100
Ethylene Glycol	Blood, gastric, tissue	1 mL	Quantitation	Ethylene Glycol	\$45
Fentanyl Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood	5 mL	Quantitation	Fentanyl	\$138
Fentanyl screen (ELISA)	Blood, tissues	2 mL	Screen	Fentanyl	\$11
Flunitrazepam Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, urine, tissues	5 mL	Quantitation	flunitrazepam, 7-aminoflunitrazepam	\$138
Fluoxetine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	fluoxetine and norfluoxetine	\$55
Gammahydroxybutyric Acid Quantitation (GC-FID)	Urine, serum, gastric, blood	4 mL	Screen/Quantitation	GHB	\$55
Gammahydroxybutyric Acid Screen (GCMS)	Urine, serum, blood	2 mL	Screen	GHB	\$55
Gastric Drug Confirmation (GCMS)	Total Gastric	5 mL	Confirmation		\$55
Gastric Drug Screen (EMIT & TLC)	Total gastric content	5 mL	Screen	Comprehensive	\$44
Gastric Pesticide Screen (GCMS)	Total Gastric	10 mL	Screen		\$83
Glutethimide Quantitation (GC-FID)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	glutethimide	\$55

Heavy Metal Screen (Reinsch Screen)	Urine, gastric	25 mL	Screen	Arsenic, bismuth, mercury, antimony	\$44
Hydrocodone Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	Hydrocodone, hydromorphone	\$83
Hydromorphone Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	Hydromorphone	\$83
Hydroxyzine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	Hydroxyzine	\$55
Lidocaine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Lidocaine	\$55
Loxapine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Loxapine, amoxapine	\$55
Marprotiline Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Maprotiline	\$55
MDMA Quantitation (GC/MS)	Blood, serum, gastric tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Methylenedioxy methamphetamine	\$55
Meperidine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	meperidine and normeperidine	\$55
Methadone Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	methadone	\$55
Methamphetamine Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	amphetamine and methamphetamine	\$83
Methaqualone Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	methaqualone	\$55
Mirtazepine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, tissue, gastric	2 mL	Quantitation	mirtazepine	\$55
Morphine/Codeine Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	morphine, codeine, 6-MAM	\$110
NeoGen Screening	Blood	1 mL	Screening		\$44
Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissue	4 mL	Quantitation	ibuprofen, naproxen	\$55

Olanzapine Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissue	4 mL	Quantitation	Olanzapine	\$55
Opiate Confirmation (GCMS)	Urine, gastric, serum, blood	3 mL	Confirmation	multiple opiates	\$94
Opiate Screen (ELISA)	Blood, tissue	2 mL	Screen	multiple opiates	\$11
Oxycodone Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	oxycodone	\$83
Paraphenalia analysis	Pill, syringes, spoons, etc		Screen		\$110
Phencyclidine Quantitation (GCMS)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	phencyclidine	\$83
Phenobarbital Quantitation (TDx)	Serum, blood, gastric	1 mL	Quantitation	phenobarbital	\$11
Phenytoin Quantitation (TDx)	Serum, blood, gastric	1 mL	Quantitation	phenytoin	\$11
Pills and powder qualitative analysis					\$83
Propoxyphene Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	propoxyphene and norpropoxyphene	\$55
Propranolol Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, tissue, gastric	2 mL	Quantitation	Propranolol	\$55
Quazepam Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	quazepam	\$55
Quetiapine Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	quetiapine	\$55
Salicylate Quantitation (TDx)	Serum, blood, gastric	1 mL	Quantitation	salicylate	\$11
Sertraline Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	4 mL	Quantitation	Sertraline, norsertraline	\$55
Serum Barbiturate Screen (TDx)	Serum, blood	1 mL	Screen		\$11
Serum Benzodiazepine Screen (TDx)	Serum, blood	1 mL	Screen		\$11
Serum Opiate Screen (TDx)	Serum, blood	1 mL	Screen		\$11
SMA Confirmation (GCMS)	Urine,	4 mL	Confirmation	multiple	\$94

	gastric, serum, blood			sympathomimetic amines	
Theophylline Quantitation (TDx)	Serum, blood, gastric	1 mL	Quantitation	Theophylline	\$110
Thioridazine Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Thioridazine, mesoridazine	\$55
Tramadol Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	Tramadol	\$55
Trazadone Quantitation	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	trazadone	\$55
Tricyclic Antidepressant Drug Quantitations (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation		\$55
Trihexyphenidyl Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	trihexyphenidyl	\$55
Urine Drug Confirmation (GCMS)	Urine		Confirmation	multiple drugs	\$55
Urine Drug Screen (EMIT & TLC)	Urine	5 mL	Screen	Comprehensive	\$44
Venlafaxine Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	venlafaxine, O- desmethylvenlafaxine	\$55
Verapamil Quantitation (HPLC)	Blood, gastric, tissues	2 mL	Quantitation	verapamil	\$55
Volatile Screen I	Blood, ocular, tissues, bile, gastric	1 mL	Screen/ Quantitation	Ethanol, methanol, acetone, isopropanol	\$33
Volatile Screen II	Blood, tissue, gastric	1 mL	Screen/ Quantitation		\$44
Zolpidem Quantitation (GC-NPD)	Blood, gastric, tissue	4 mL	Quantiation	zolpidem	\$55

PHOTOGRAPHIC & IMAGING SERVICES	Price/unit
Duplication	
8x10 Color Laser Copy	\$3
11x17 Color Laser Copy	\$4
Slide Duplication	\$3
Color Copy Work per Image to a Slide	\$9

Black and White Copy Work Per Image LPD-4 Film	\$9
Black and White Copy Work Per Image Ortho Film	\$15
Black and White Copy Work Per Image SO-185 Film	\$28
Black and White X-Ray Reproduction SO-185 Film	\$13
Over Head Transparency	\$20
Lamination 2 5/8" x 3 7/8"	\$2
Lamination 5x7	\$2
Lamination 11 1/4" x 8 3/4"	\$3
Lamination 14 1/4 x 8 3/4	\$3
Computer Graphics*	
Computer Graphic Title Slide	\$28
Computer Graphic Text Slide	\$39
Computer Graphic Charts Slide	\$50
Photo Manipulation Per Hour	\$85
Scan High Quality	\$27
Scan Med Quality	\$21
Scan Low Quality	\$6
Video Tape Production	
Video Tape Production	\$250
Video Tape Editing	\$95
Video Tape Duplication	\$36
Pulling Stills from a video	\$95
VHS Video Tape	\$2
Digital Video Tape	\$8
Processing	
Color Slide Film 24 Exp. Mounted	\$8
Color Slide Film 36 Exp. Mounted	\$10
Black and White Film 36 Exp.	\$5
120 E-6-Processing	\$8
220 E-6-Processing	\$16
Photo finishing Services	
Black and White Contact Sheet Custom Printing	\$6
3 1/2 x 5 Black and White Custom Print	\$12
4 x 6 Black and White Custom Print	\$12
5 x 7 Black and White Custom Print	\$12
8 x 10 Black and White Custom Print	\$12
8 1/2 x 11 Black and White Custom Print	\$13
11 x 14 Black and White Custom Print	\$20
16 x 20 Black and White Custom Print	\$29
10- x 12 or smaller Fuji Print	\$20
12 x 18 Fuji Print	\$38
Mounting	
5 x 7 Foamcore/Dry mounting	\$10
8 x 10 Foamcore/Dry Mounting	\$10
11 x 14 Foamcore/Dry Mounting	\$14
16 x 20 Foamcore/Dry Mounting	\$16
32 x 40 Foamcore/Dry Mounting	\$20
Other Photographic Services*	

High Speed Still Photography	\$27 per hr +Reimbursement for Expenses
High Speed Motion Picture Photography	\$27 per hr +Reimbursement for Expenses
Micro-photography	\$27 per hr +Reimbursement for Expenses
Macro-photography	\$27 per hr +Reimbursement for Expenses
Gross Specimen Photography	\$27 per hr +Reimbursement for Expenses
Photographer's Time*	
1 Hour	\$27
* All hourly rates are billable to the nearest quarter of an hour.	